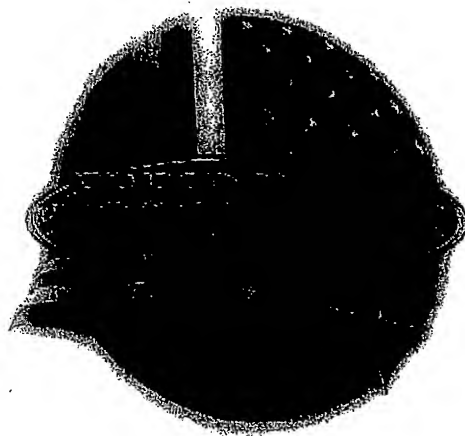


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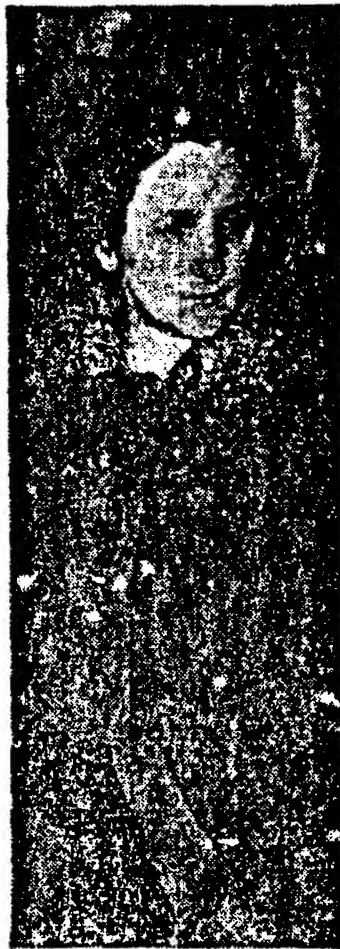
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ATOM-SPY COUPLE SENTENCED TO DIE; AIDE GETS 30 YEARS

Penalties for Rosenbergs Are
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Judge Denounces Theft of
Bomb Secrets for Russia as
'Worse Than Murder'

*The text of the statement by
Judge Kaufman, Page 10.*

By WILLIAM R. CONKLIN

In a history-making action, Federal Judge Irving R. Kaufman imposed death sentences yesterday on two spies convicted of stealing the atomic bomb secret for Soviet Russia and sentenced a third spy to thirty years in a Federal penitentiary.

Julius Rosenberg, 32 years old, an electrical engineer, and his wife, Ethel, 35, received the death penalty. They are parents of two sons, Michael, 8, and Robert, 4. Morton Sobell, 34, an electronics expert, escaped the death penalty only because his complicity was not proved equal to that of the Rosenbergs. He and his wife, Helen, are parents of a girl, Sydney, 11 years old, and a son, Mark, 18 months old.

The jury that on March 29 convicted all three of conspiracy to commit wartime espionage made no recommendation for mercy. Judge Kaufman showed none. He described the defendants' crime as "worse than murder" and "a sordid, dirty business" not to be compared with Nathan Hale's sacrifice of his life for his country.

Judge Cites Responsibility

United States Attorney Irving H. Saypol pointed out that death was the maximum penalty for wartime espionage for a foreign nation, but did not ask the death penalty. Judge Kaufman said the burden of fixing punishment rested on him alone, and that his responsibility to the nation demanded that he inflict the death penalty. He presided throughout the trial, which began in District Court on March 6.

Defense counsel said they would appeal immediately to the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit. The appeals will act as an automatic stay of execution of the three sentences. Judge Kaufman had directed that the Rosenbergs be put to death in the electric chair at Sing Sing Prison in the week beginning on Monday, May 21.

Should the Circuit Court decide adversely, defense counsel said an appeal would be taken to the United States Supreme Court. Emanuel H. Bloch and his father, Alexander Bloch, defended the Rosenbergs. Sobell was defended by Edward Kuntz and Harold M. Phillips. Headed by Mr. Saypol, the Government staff included Myles J. Lane, Roy M. Cohn and James Kilsheimer, assistant United States Attorneys.

Political Hysteria Charged

"I repeat that these defendants assert their innocence and will continue to assert it as long as they breathe," Emanuel Bloch said for the Rosenbergs. "They believe that they are victims of political hysteria, and that their sentence was based upon extraneous political considerations having no legitimate or legal connection with the crime charged against them."

Mr. Phillips said the thirty-year sentence was out of all proportion to the case against Sobell, and insisted that the Government had not proved conspiracy. The attorney said his client, who did not testify at the trial, would appeal to the higher courts.

United States marshals guarding the Rosenbergs in temporary detention cells in the United States Courthouse reported that both were singing there yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Rosenberg, who once studied voice, sang "One Fine Day" from "Madame Butterfly," and the popular song, "Good Night, Irene." The husband sang "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," the marshals said.

Spy Ring Probe Covers 20 Years

Federal authorities are digging back more than 20 years in an attempt to find more espionage agents who worked for the same spy ring which employed A-bomb spies Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, United States Attorney Irving H. Saypol disclosed yesterday.

The prosecutor refused to give any specific information about the suspects but said most of them "are not American citizens" and have been "active in the Communist party."

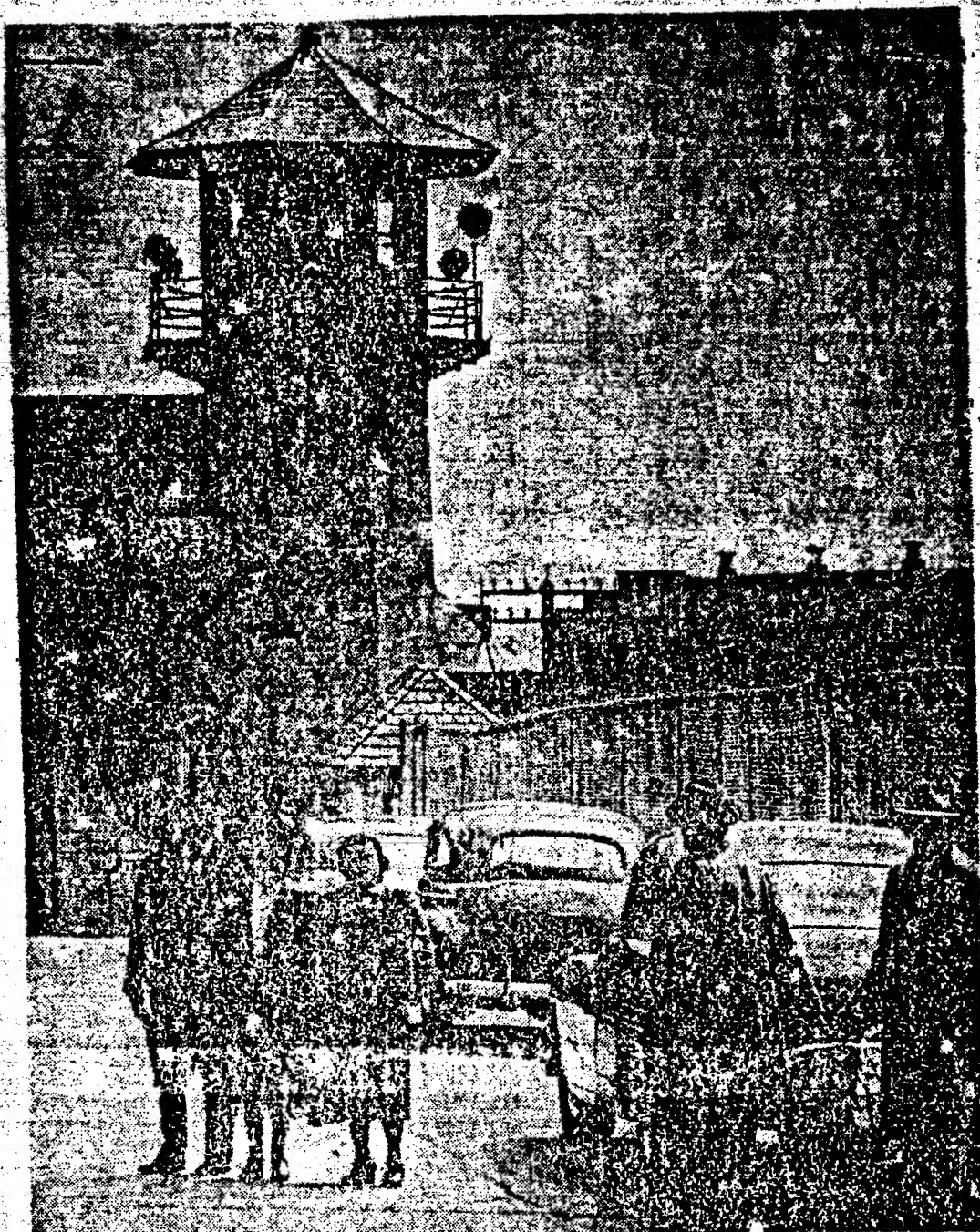
"Activities dating back to the late 1920s and early 1930s are under investigation," he added. He refused to say when the grand jury will begin hearing evidence or when arrests will be made.

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ATOM SPY, AT SING SING—Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, convicted with her husband, Julius, of giving atom secrets to Russia, arrives at Sing Sing between matron Sarah Goldstein and Deputy U. S. Marshal Anthony Pavone. She and her husband have been sentenced to die in chair.

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CONVICTED A-SPY TRANSFERRED TO DEATH HOUSE



Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg (right), sentenced to die with her husband, Julius, as atom spy, smiles as she leaves Women's House of Detention for Sing Sing in custody of U. S. deputy marshal Mrs. Sarah Goldstein. Her husband remains in Manhattan's Federal House of Detention. Mrs. Rosenberg is first woman ever committed to Sing Sing by Federal government.

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Death House Gets Mrs. Rosenberg

By GENE SPAGNOLI

Still protesting that she and her husband were innocent of atom-spying, Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg denounced her brother, David Greenglass, yesterday as she was transferred by automobile from the Women's House of Detention to the Sing Sing death house.

Sentenced last week with her spouse, Julius, to die in the electric chair for passing A-secrets to Russia, Mrs. Rosenberg described her transfer as "unnecessary and vindictive." Her attorney, Emanuel Bloch, said he would contest the transfer in the courts.

Lawyer Cites Appeal.

Bloch said the statute authorizing the U. S. marshal to use state facilities for execution is automatically stayed with an appeal. He pointed out that he had filed an appeal for the Rosenbergs after they were sentenced by Judge Irving Kaufman.

To keep Mrs. Rosenberg in the

death house until the appeal is finally acted upon, he declared, "will be cruel and terrible punishment." The attorney also released a statement by Mrs. Rosenberg, which said in part:

"My husband and I are innocent. This prosecution is a political frameup and we will fight to the last breath to prove this accusation false.

"Made Good His Boast."

"Mrs. Ruth Greenglass was permitted to remain free and my brother David has made good his boast that he would never serve more than five years. Moreover, the perjury of my brother was revealed when (U. S. Attorney

Irving) Saypol stated at his sentencing that my brother asserted his innocence at the time of his arraignment.

"They (the Greenglasses) used this trick to make us scapegoats



(NEWS photo by Ossie LeViness)
Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, escorted by Deputy U. S. Marshal Thomas Farley, as she arrived at Sing Sing yesterday.

and to save their miserable skins," Mrs. Rosenberg said.

She said her main concern was "to see my two boys," now under the care of social workers. "Now the authorities are trying to make it impossible for a mother to comfort her children, and for a mother to be comforted by her children."

When informed of his wife's removal to Sing Sing, Rosenberg—who is in the Federal House of Detention—said that if Bloch's move to void the transfer fails, "I want to be moved to Sing Sing to be with her."

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Mrs. Rosenberg, Condemned Atom Spy, Taken to Sing Sing; Husband Is Kept Here



Mrs. Julius Rosenberg as she left the Women's House of Detention in an automobile yesterday en route to Sing Sing.

Associated Press

Mrs. Julius Rosenberg, condemned to death for her part in giving secret atomic bomb information to Soviet Russia, was lodged last night in the women's section of the death house at Sing Sing prison, sole occupant of that section of the prison save for a matron hired for the occasion.

The women's sector, consisting of three cells, a corridor, and an exercise yard located within a ten-foot-high wall, had been vacant since the execution in March of Mrs. Martha Beck, "lonely hearts" murderer. Warden Wilfred Denno of Sing Sing rehired the four matrons who had attended Mrs. Beck, and they will keep Mrs. Rosenberg company, in relays, at a cost to the Federal Government of \$40 a day.

Mrs. Rosenberg's execution was scheduled for the week of May 21, but this will be postponed indefinitely by the notice of appeal served on the warden yesterday by her attorney, Emanuel Bloch.

Mrs. Rosenberg's husband, sentenced to die in the chair at the same time, remained in the Federal House of Detention. United States Marshal William A. Carroll explained that segregation facilities existed there, while none existed in the Women's House of

Detention, a county institution, in which Mrs. Rosenberg was kept until noon yesterday.

In a final statement as she was escorted to a car headed toward the death house, Mrs. Rosenberg called the transfer from one prison to the Sing Sing cell, while her appeal was pending, "unnecessary and vindictive." Mr. Bloch said he would seek to have it remedied in the courts.

Then, in a statement issued through Mr. Bloch, Mrs. Rosenberg attacked her brother, David Greenglass, who appeared as a witness for the prosecution at the recent trial, and who received only a fifteen-year sentence.

At Sing Sing, when Mrs. Rosenberg was filling out the usual questionnaire, and was asked what led her to commit her crime—a routine inquiry—she answered:

"I deny guilt."

She was taken to the prison by Marshal Carroll, arriving at 1:50 P. M. She was ticketed as prisoner 110,510, gave up the \$15 she was carrying, and signed a waiver that permits her to receive mail in return for the privilege of inspecting it. On the trip she chatted gaily about the weather and the coming of spring. Marshal Carroll reported.

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Mrs. Rosenberg Taken to Death House; Protests Separation From Children

Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, sentenced to death with her husband, Julius, last week on espionage conspiracy charges, was taken yesterday, over protests, to the death house in Sing Sing Prison.

She and her attorney, Emanuel Bloch, pointed out that the filing of appeals had automatically stayed execution of the death sentences and said a court order would be sought against the removal to Sing Sing.

"This transfer to the death house is a matter of vindictiveness and represents cruel and inhuman punishment," said a statement issued in Mrs. Rosenberg's behalf by Bloch. "My husband and I are innocent and will always maintain our innocence. This prosecution is a political frame-up and we will fight to our last breath to prove this accusation is false."

Mrs. Rosenberg, who appeared wan and drawn, said bitterly:

"My main concern at the present is to see my two boys (Michael, 8, and Robert, 4). Arrangements were under way to permit my children to

visit me and the authorities are trying to make it impossible to permit a mother to comfort her children and in turn to permit a mother to be comforted by her children."

The youngsters, whom their 35-year-old mother has not seen since her arrest last August, are in a Bronx children's shelter.

Mrs. Rosenberg's prepared statement referred acidly to her brother, David Greenglass, whose testimony helped convict her and who has been let off with a 15-year sentence. She noted that the Atomic Energy Commission, since the convictions, has listed Greenglass as "one of the top four spies."

"My husband and I, who were built up as top spies during the trial, are now confined to the role of subordinates, or couriers," she said.

Mrs. Rosenberg was transferred from the House of Detention by U. S. Marshal Carroll and two deputies, one a woman. Carroll reported later that the prisoner seemed "in good spirits" during the trip to Sing Sing.

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NEW YORK CLOSE-UP

By TEX McCARY and JINX FALKENBURG



HOLDING TWO OPIUM PIPES—the little one is for ladies—United States Attorney Irving Saypol, the man who prosecuted the Rosenbergs for atomic espionage and won, explains another evil to Tex: "The bowl of an opium pipe is called the 'gong'—now you know the origin of the phrase, 'kicking the gong'."

THE selection administration of Justice in the Jack Ruby case upon which this nation has been built, and the jutting jaw of Irving Saypol seems to have been heven from a chunk of that foundation granite. His prosecution of the Rosenbergs for espionage won an historic death sentence from Judge Kaufman in Federal Court.

William Remington's conviction was won by Saypol, and under his supervision Alvin Karpis was called for perjury. And it was Saypol who finally got George Rubinstein as a millionaire draft dodger. Now his target is the nascent racket, flourishing in 1951 and never yet prosecuted, enough to support the political class which must remain to protect a racket that perverts every instinct of human decency. Saypol has always fought shy of headlines—but his target now, if he can score a bulker, will make New Yorkers want to revive the whipping post to make a punishment severe enough to fill the crib of the protected narcotics traffic.

Saypol defines his philosophy of prosecution in stern and simple terms: "A fair trial and a respectable sentence."

For years Saypol has been a keen student of the deterrent effect of stiff sentences.

"When I was chief assistant six years ago, Bank McGulley gave me the job of passing on sentences, making recommendations to judges. A stiff sentence is a definite deterrent to crime—look at counterfeiting: two years ago, it was at its peak in this district. Under it has been reduced to a minimum, thanks to high bail and respectable sentences. Bail was high because of the character of the defendants and the seriousness of the crime. It still makes me hell to think of a housewife who has to feed her family on forty dollars a week getting out with a ten-dollar bail ten-dollar bail."

"The factors to consider in recommending sentence are these—the maximum possible penalty—the effects of the crime on society—the enormous in the case of the atom bomb espionage—and finally, a careful appraisal of the defendant's . . . etc, prior record, marital status, etc. . . ."

"And this is an interesting switch: With something like a come-tax evasion, where a man's reputation is important in the business world, a six-month sentence is just as crushing as a ten-year sentence for a counterfeiter. You never see a second offender in an espionage case."

His targets have included Nelson the Richard Crowe, who stole \$223,000 from a bank. Saypol's untiring curiosity dug into the motivations of Crowe's theft, as though he had stolen the trigger to the hydrogen bomb.

Criminals often do very odd—and very human—things. When Crowe took \$193,000 in currency from the vault of the National City Bank, he stuffed it all into a black bag—the rest, in bonds, he put into an envelope. The bag was very heavy—he dropped it once, spilled the money, picked it up again and headed for the Staten Island Ferry. When he got there, the first thing he did was to put the bag on a penny scale. He weighed the money, to prove to himself how much he'd been carrying—something a lot of people would do. In case you're interested, \$193,000 in currency weighed 165 pounds."

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When we started after this racket, a two-to-five-year sentence is about the heaviest handed down. We recommended, and we got, fifteen, twenty and even twenty-five-year sentences. Today, counterfeiters know we mean business in this district."

It's fascinating to hear Saypol explain the machinery of sentencing in Federal courts—fascinating, unless you happen to be a target. In a case of espionage or treason, in Federal court the sentence is fixed by the judge; in murder, the penalty is prescribed as death, unless the jury recommends life imprisonment; with kidnaping, it is imprisonment, unless the jury recommends death, when the victim is harmed.

There is even a section in the United States Criminal Code which allows the judge to order the body of the executed defendant to be dissected—a throwback to the ancient English system of drawing and quartering a prisoner prior to impaling each quarter of the pris-

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The Lyons Den

By Leonard Lyons



THE SPY STORY: The testimony at the atom bomb spy trials revealed that Julius Rosenberg gave \$3,000 to his brother-in-law, David Greenglass, and urged him to use it to escape to Mexico, then to Prague and on to Russia. When Greenglass was on the witness stand he wasn't asked what he did with this money . . . He spent most of it to retain O. John Rogge as his lawyer. Rogge's fee was \$3,000. And, as his counsel, Rogge persuaded him to tell the full story to U. S. Atty. Saypol. Rogge, as counsel to Max Elitcher—a classmate of defendants Rosenberg and Sobell—also convinced Elitcher to tell all.

The tragic figure in the case, the mother of Greenglass and the doomed Mrs. Rosenberg, had made a vain plea to Judge Irving Kaufman to spare her daughter's life. And when she realized that the matter of life or death now was the sole responsibility of her daughter—who can save her life by telling the full story—she asked to see her daughter, to persuade her to reveal all. Mrs. Rosenberg replied that this was inconsistent with her stand of innocence. Besides, was Mrs. Rosenberg's message, she didn't want to see her mother, "because she believes my brother, David, and doesn't believe me."

PERCENTAGE ON INVESTMENT: Don Hartman, the new executive producer at Paramount, for many years was a successful Hollywood screen writer before he became producer. One of the Paramount directors who congratulated him on his new high office said that Hartman now needs only some business experience—that movie-making is a major industry, involving millions of dollars, and that attention first must be paid to the stockholders and dividends. "You've been a writer, Don," he said. "What we businessmen want is quality, of course, but also movies which will return a profit."

"Spend \$2 million on a picture, but get back \$4 million for it," said Hartman. "Is that right?" . . . "Right," he was told . . . "I know that, but don't discount the writer's sense of profit," said Hartman. "100% profit on a \$2 million investment is remarkable. But now take the writer: He buys four pencils and some paper—total cost, maybe 85c—and from this comes something which often brings him a return of over a million per cent."

THE LINGUIST & THE LADY: Olivia de Havilland was visited by the Chinese Consul who brought General Chung. The General, he explained, was a language expert who spoke at least ten languages—but, unfortunately, no English. The Consul then learned that Miss de Havilland was born in Japan, and said that Gen. Chung once had been a language officer in Japan. He urged her to say something in Japanese to the General. The actress protested that she had learned only a few words, and they weren't conversational . . . "But I told the General you'd speak to him in Japanese," said the Consul. "Please. He's waiting" . . . And so the startled General heard the Academy Award winner say to him, in Japanese: "One, Two, Three, Four, Five, Six."

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CHAI: England will send a high commission to study plan for eliminating capital punishment . . . On a delegation of Japanese judges will arrive in N. Y. to study our court processes and see if they can be introduced in Japan . . . Carter's Little Liver Pills probably will be Drew Pearson's next sponsor . . . When Instructor Perl of Columbia Univ. is tried for perjury, the chief government witness will be Max Elitcher . . . Irving Fisher, who portrays Harry S. Truman in "Call Me Madam," appeared at the Lambs' Gambol show and was booed. "Imitation," he sighed, "is not flattery. This booing is too real."

THE NEW DIRECTOR: Hans Conreid was assigned to direct his first Hollywood movie, and proceeded with care and deliberation. The star of the movie was an actress with many years of experience in movie-making. She met the young director on the first day, went through the rehearsal of the first scene, and then asked him: "What would you like me to do?" . . . "What can I tell you?" sighed Conreid. "I guess all I can say is 'Be better'."

THE MAHATMA: Louis Fisher, who has written several books about Gandhi, once was asked by a friend of his to get an autographed photo of Gandhi for him. When Fisher visited Gandhi next, he asked for this photo and the Mahatma said he would do it—for \$20, which would be donated to a fund to help the Untouchables . . . "\$20? I'll give you \$10," said Fisher, and Gandhi agreed . . . Some months later Fisher met Gandhi's son and told him of his father's 50% cut to \$10 for the autographed photo . . . "Confidentially," the son assured the writer, "he would have done it for \$5."

BERGMAN: "I visited Ingrid yesterday," writes Sylvia Lyons, from Rome. "She has a splint on the middle finger of her right hand. She had decided that the furniture needed cleaning, and scrubbed it so hard that she suddenly heard a loud crackling noise and thought she'd broken something in the chair. Two days later her doctor found she'd torn some ligaments in the finger . . . She looks slim, and explained that for her the best diet was to eat everything she likes. She does not expect to come back to the U. S. A. for a while. Rossellini is preparing her next movie, to be called 'Europe, 1951.'"

"They had designed winter clothes for her, expecting to shoot the movie in January. Now that delays have occurred the clothes will have to be re-designed for Spring. She speaks Italian fluently now, and said she'd learned by listening to it being spoken and asking questions about the meaning of the words she heard. She remained mute, in Italian, for a long time, and one day she found she could speak it—at first, she said, to herself. It was as if suddenly a door had opened for her. And her first Italian thoughts were: 'I speak four languages already, and now I've chosen to live in a country where I must learn a fifth.'"

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A-Spy Lonely In Death Row

Convicted atom bomb spy Ethel Rosenberg finds life lonesome in Sing Sing's death row.

During her first week of confinements, prison officials said today, she has been asking for books, magazines and newspapers to while away the time until the appeal from her conviction is heard by the U. S. Supreme Court.

Mrs. Rosenberg, mother of two children, and her husband, Julius, were sentenced to death in Federal Court here upon their conviction for giving A-Bomb secrets to Russia.

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A Spy Bored In Death Cell

Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, 35, convicted A-bomb spy for Russia, finds life in the Sing Sing death house boring and has turned to books, magazines and newspapers for diversion, prison officials reported yesterday.

Mrs. Rosenberg, who has now spent a week in Sing Sing, was sentenced to die, with her husband, Julius, after a trial in which her brother, ex-Sgt. David Greenglass, was the Government's chief witness against the couple.

Rosenberg is still in the Federal House of Detention in Manhattan. Their attorneys have commenced appeal proceedings.

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Mrs. Rosenberg Asks Return Here

Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, sentenced
to die with her husband, Julius, for

passing A-bomb secrets to Russia,
yesterday applied to Federal Judge
Irving R. Kaufman for an order
directing the Government to show
cause why she should not be taken
from the Sing Sing death house
and returned to the Women's
House of Detention at 10 Green-
wich St. Judge Kaufman indi-
cated he will rule on the applica-
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WOULD QUIT DEATH HOUSE

Mrs. Rosenberg Wants Court to Transfer Her Again

Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, convicted atom spy sentenced to death, charged yesterday that the Government was trying to break her morale and coerce her into confessing by keeping her in Sing Sing's death house "only a stone's throw from the execution chamber." She still maintained her innocence.

In an application to Federal Judge Irving R. Kaufman, Mrs. Rosenberg asked to be retransferred from the death house to the Women's House of Detention, 10 Greenwich Street, pending her appeal. Judge Kaufman said he would rule on the application on Monday.

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Woman Spy Wants Out Of Death House Cell

Mrs. Rosenberg Charges U.S. Seeks To Break Her and Get Confession

Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, sentenced to death for atom spying, waited today for a ruling on her plea to be transferred from the "living hell" of Sing Sing's death house.

In an application to Federal Judge Irving R. Kaufman, Mrs. Rosenberg charged yesterday that the government was trying to break her morale and force her into confessing by keeping her "in a cell located not even a stone's throw from the execution chamber."

Sees Rights Violated.

Mrs. Rosenberg asked the government to show cause why she should not be transferred to the Women's House of Detention at 10 Greenwich St., pending appeal.

Judge Kaufman said he would rule on the application Monday.

Mrs. Rosenberg's affidavit said

her transfer "in order to 'break' me is a misuse and abuse of (the government's) discretion and power which violates my right to due process of law under the Fifth Amendment."

Death House a Living Hell.

"It is a living hell to be separated from the warmth, love, affection and strength of my husband," the application said, "and for him to contemplate my incarceration in this terrible place. It is agony to sit in a cell located not even a stone's throw from the execution chamber."

Mrs. Rosenberg's husband, Julius, also was found guilty of conspiracy to transmit atomic secrets to Russia and sentenced to death.

He is still in the Federal House of Detention, 427 West St.

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Mrs. Rosenberg Hits Death Cell As 'Tomb,' Seeks to Be Moved

Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, convicted and sentenced to death along with her husband, Julius, for transmitting atomic secrets to Russia, wants to get out of her Sing Sing Prison death cell, where she finds herself "sealed in as if in a tomb."

In an application to Federal Judge Irving R. Kaufman, who presided at the couple's trial and imposed the sentence, Mrs. Rosenberg asked that she be returned to the Women's House of Detention in Manhattan, where she spent her presentence imprisonment. Federal authorities had the right to send her to Sing Sing, she

Calls It Torture

The Attorney General's action in transferring her was taken, however, the affidavit declared, "in order to 'break' me" and this is "a misuse and abuse of his discretion."

Judge Kaufman said he would rule on the application next Monday.

After describing the "refined cruelties" of solitary confinement in a death cell as "equal to the barbarity of the rack, the thumbscrew and the wheel," Mrs. Rosenberg says in her affidavit:

"I am alone in an entire building except for the matron who guards me. I see no other human being from morning to night and from night to morning. I have no occupation other than to sit immured in the aching soundlessness of my narrow cell.

"I have no recreation other than to walk on a bare patch of ground surrounded by walls so high that my only view is a bare patch of sky. Sometimes I can see an airplane passing by; sometimes, a few birds; sometimes I hear the noise of a train in the distance.

"Otherwise, there is always dead silence."

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Reds Studying A-Spy Trial Data

By HOWARD RUSHMORE

A transcript of the entire proceedings of the recent atom bomb spy trial is in the office of the Daily Worker, 35 E. 12th st. and is being closely studied by leading Communist officials, it was learned today.

This costly official court record was obtained by Julius and Ethel Rosenberg — who have been sentenced to death — after the defendants swore a pauper's oath that they lacked funds to purchase the transcript.

The record was then supplied by the Government.

Since Federal Judge Irving B. Kaufman condemned the pair of spies to Sing Sing's electric chair, the Daily Worker has conducted an all-out campaign against the jurist and his sentence.

This interest of the Red Fascists' official organ in an espionage case is unusual since the Daily Worker did not even cover the trial itself and the verdict was reported in a two-paragraph story.

After violent attacks on Kaufman for imposing death sentences — attacks reminiscent of blasts against Federal Judge Medina a year ago — the Daily Worker now is appealing for Mrs. Rosenberg's release from Sing Sing's death row.

The Communists claim the government placed her in Sing Sing in an effort to "break" her and the woman spy's plea for more comfortable quarters near her traitor husband is supported by the Daily Worker.

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Lawyer Asks Mental Test for Woman Spy

A court-ordered psychiatric examination was asked yesterday for Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, atom spy sentenced to death, to determine the mental effect of her detention in the Sing Sing death house.

The request was made by Emanuel Bloch, Mrs. Rosenberg's attorney, during a hearing on her plea that she was being subjected to "undue and unusual psychological pressure" in the death house.

Bloch asked Federal Judge John C. Knox to order Dr. Frederic Wertham, psychiatrist, to interview Mrs. Rosenberg. He further requested an adjournment of the hearing until Wertham could complete his findings.

Knox told Bloch to bring the

matter up today and continued yesterday's session, which was given over for the most part to testimony backing the Government's contention that Mrs. Rosenberg was transferred to Sing Sing because the Women's House of Detention at 10 Greenwich Ave. lacks facilities for segregated prisoners.

Bloch charged in an affidavit earlier that Mrs. Rosenberg's removal to the death house was motivated by the Government's desire to "break" her and force her to talk. The hearing will continue at 3 P. M. today.

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Atom Spy's Plea For Writ Is Heard

Mrs. Rosenberg Seeking to Leave Death House

Judge John C. Knox opened a hearing yesterday in United States District Court on an application by Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, convicted atom spy, for a writ of habeas corpus to gain her transfer from the death house of Sing Sing Prison to the Women's House of Detention, at 10 Greenwich Avenue.

Emanuel Block, attorney for Mrs. Rosenberg charged in an affidavit that she was taken to the death house to await execution out of the government's desire to subject her "to cruel and inhuman treatment" in order to force her to give information.

United States Marshal William A. Carroll testified that he moved Mrs. Rosenberg without written authorization after New York authorities told him there were no facilities for segregating prisoners at the Women's House of Detention. Prisoners under death sentence must be segregated. Mrs. Rosenberg's husband, Julius, also condemned to death, is held in the Federal House of Detention under complete Federal control, and no request has been received for his transfer to Sing Sing, Commissioner Carroll said.

An order staying execution of the couple was filed yesterday with the clerk of the District Court, and it also gave the Rosenbergs, and Morton Sobell, convicted with them, and sentenced to thirty years in prison, permission to file a typewritten record instead of a printed record for their appeal. Hearing on the writ was adjourned until 4 p. m. today.

During the hearing yesterday, Hy Gardner, columnist for the New York Herald Tribune, was called to testify about an item in his column of April 2 to the effect that "inside sources will have you believe" that the death sentence would be imposed on the atom spies to force them to talk. He said the item was "based on speculation." He described the phrase "inside sources" as a "figure of speech." Under questioning by Mr. Block, he said he did not get any information from any government source connected with the case.

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Hearings opened before Judge Knox on Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg's application for a writ to force her removal from Sing Sing death house where she has been confined since shortly after her espionage conspiracy conviction. The first government witnesses claimed a lack of facilities to house her here.

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MRS. ROSENBERG OPENS FIGHT ON DEATH HOUSE

A hearing was begun yesterday before Federal Judge John C. Knox to determine whether the Government had transferred Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, convicted atom spy sentenced to death, to Sing Sing's death house to subject her to "cruel and inhuman" treatment to make her talk.

Mrs. Rosenberg was removed from the Women's House of Detention, 10 Greenwich Street, on April 11, United States Marshall William A. Carroll testified, after he had been notified by Albert Williams, city Commissioner of Corrections, that the city prison did not have the proper facilities to segregate a condemned prisoner.

Mr. Carroll said the removal was effected without written authorization but that he had consulted the director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons in Washington by telephone. The marshal added that before taking Mrs. Rosenberg to Sing Sing he personally inspected the women's death cell block and found the cells to be clean and sanitary.

Another witness called by defense counsel Emmanuel Bloch was Ruth Collins, superintendent of the Women's House of Detention. She said that Federal women prisoners here were kept in the city institution but that the institution did not have facilities to keep prisoners segregated.

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Question Whether Newsman Must Divulge Sources in Spy Case to Be Argued in Court

The question whether a newspaper man must divulge the source of his information will be argued Monday before Federal Judge John C. Knox by the Government and counsel for Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, convicted atom spy sentenced to death.

The argument on privilege arose yesterday at a hearing in behalf of Mrs. Rosenberg who is seeking to be retransferred from Sing Sing's death house to the Women's House of Detention, 10 Greenwich Street, pending the final outcome of her appeal. Mrs. Rosenberg has charged that the Government moved her to the death house to subject her to "cruel and inhuman" treatment to make her talk.

Mrs. Rosenberg's attorney, Emanuel Bloch, called Leonard Lyons, New York Post columnist, to testify about twenty items he had printed concerning the recent atom spy trial.

Mr. Lyons said he believed the items were authentic but refused to divulge the source of his infor-

mation. He did admit, however, that the news material was not given to him by anyone in Government service.

Mr. Bloch argued that newspaper men did not enjoy the same privileges in this state as did doctors, lawyers and clergymen. He added that since no Federal law prevailed governing a newspaper man's privilege, the state law held.

Judge Knox recalled that many years ago a reporter for the former New York Herald was cited for contempt when he refused to tell a Federal grand jury the sources of his information. The case was taken to the Supreme Court and was finally decided in favor of the newspaper man, the jurist said.

Mr. Lyons said he refused to divulge his sources because he believed "the relationship between news sources and newspaper men is as sacred as between lawyer and client, doctor and patient and a clergyman and a confessor."

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Mrs. Rosenberg Asks Return to Jail Here

Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, under death sentence with her husband, Julius, on espionage conspiracy convictions, applied yesterday for an order directing the government to show cause why she should not be removed from the Sing Sing death house and returned to the Women's House of Detention here.

Judge Irving Kaufman took the petition under advisement and indicated he would rule Monday.

Mrs. Rosenberg charged that the Attorney General or his agent caused her to be transferred "in order to 'break' me . . . to demoralize my spirit and overcome my will to resist efforts . . . to compel me to admit guilt of a crime of which I have been convicted, although I am innocent."

She described incarceration in the death house as "agony" and said "I am sealed in the gray walls of this prison as in a tomb."

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Woman A-Spy Keeps Trim in Death House

Even the shadow of the electric chair can't keep a woman from thinking of her appearance.

The inactivity of sitting in the deathhouse at Sing Sing prison is likely to add weight to anyone—men and women alike. But not for Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, 35, convicted atom spy.

During her daily hour-long period outside the deathhouse Mrs. Rosenberg, mother of two children, exercises vigorously to keep her weight down.

Hefly Martha Beck, executed recently with Raymond Fernandez for the Lonely Hearts slaying of Mrs. Janet Fay, gained 30 pounds while awaiting execution. Eva Coo added 12 pounds in the deathhouse before she was electrocuted.

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Court Will Hear Spy's Complaint

Convicted atom spy Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg's complaint that she is being subjected to "undue and unusual psychological pressure," by being housed in Sing Sing's death house, will be argued at a hearing May 2. It was decided yesterday by Chief Judge John C. Knox in Federal Court.

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MORE ABOUT MRS. ROSENBERG . . .

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admit "guilt of a crime of which . . . I am innocent."

Her attorney, Emanuel Bloch, told Judge Knox that there have been published reports that the government was trying to "break" her and said he intended to subpoena some "journalists who had commented on this in the press." He added that many might be unwilling witnesses.

U. S. Attorney Saypol said any such testimony would be "hearsay," denied Mrs. Rosenberg was being subjected to "any coercive attempts" by the government and insisted the prison here lacked "adequate facilities."

He said Julius Rosenberg would be transferred to the death house in a few days.

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Woman Spy Obtains Habeas Corpus Writ

Mrs. Rosenberg Challenges Shift to Sing Sing

A writ of habeas corpus was issued yesterday afternoon by senior Judge John C. Knox of the U. S. District Court to ascertain whether Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, convicted atomic bomb spy, has been subjected to "undue and unusual psychological pressure" while imprisoned at Sing Sing. A hearing is scheduled for May 2.

In a conference of defense and prosecution counsel, an agreement was reached, waiving a personal appearance by Mrs. Rosenberg at the United States Courthouse in Foley Square.

Emanuel Bloch, defense attorney, told Judge Knox that newspapers had reported that transferring Mrs. Rosenberg from the Women's House of Detention here to Sing Sing Prison was "done for the purpose of 'breaking' her." He said he would subpoena a number of newspapermen who had commented on this development.

Irving H. Saypol, U. S. Attorney, denied that Mrs. Rosenberg was subjected to "any coercive attempts" by the government. He disclosed that Julius Rosenberg, her husband, would be transferred to the death house in Sing Sing in a few days. The Rosenbergs are sentenced to be executed in the week beginning May 21.

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ROSENBERG HEARING SET

Woman Atom Spy Charges She
in Death House to 'Break' Her

Federal Judge John C. Knox yesterday set May 2 for a hearing to determine whether Mrs. Julius Rosenberg, convicted atom spy sentenced to death, was being subjected to "unfair and unusual psychological pressure" by her incarceration in Sing Sing's death house.

Mrs. Rosenberg will not be brought down from Sing Sing for the hearing. She charged that the Government transferred her from the Women's House of Detention to the death house to "break" her. Mrs. Rosenberg asked that she be returned to the House of Detention pending the final outcome of her appeal. Her husband, also sentenced to death in the spy plot, is expected to be taken to the death house soon.

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America's No. 1 Rocket Secret Red Spies Got Spaceship Data

By GEORGE GARROLL
U. S. Secret Service Agent
Communist Russia's spy net in the United States tapped this country's most ambitious rocket secret—start of work on the world's No. 1 Spaceship—a full year or more before the American people knew such a project existed.

Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, now under death sentence as atomic spies, might conceivably have their lives spared by telling U. S. Intelligence or the FBI who supplied this prize bit—who was "the contact."

Here is the story as it unfolds from the standpoint (1) of the National Military Establishment in Washington and (2) from careful reading of testimony in the recently concluded Rosenberg spy trial.

REVEALS PROGRAM

On Dec. 22, 1948, in his last annual report before his ouster, Defense Secretary Forrestal made the unheralded disclosure that the United States was embarked on "an earth satellite vehicle program."

It came as a complete surprise, even as those in fairly close touch with military research and development.

Many wondered why there would be such a disclosure any more than notice should have been given beforehand about the M-bomb.

Could Moscow already know about the project?

What Forrestal said in his report was this:

"The earth satellite vehicle program which is being carried out independently by each military service was assigned to the Committee on Guided Missiles for coordination.

"To provide an integrated program with resultant coordination in application, the Committee recommended that current efforts in the field be limited to studies and component design.

"Well defined areas of such research have been allocated to each of the three military departments."

OSTAINED DATA

The spy trial testimony has been information about "the spy platform project," he had secrets described it in more colloquial terms. In the hands of Julius Rosenberg at least a year before Forrestal's public report and by implication much earlier than that.

André G. Rosenberg, now in the back to back with David Greenglass, former Air Force sergeant and member of the spy ring who confessed and was hanged, was the other source of the information.

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Dr. Bush Evokes Spaceship Query

Dr. Vannevar Bush was asked today if he knew that Moscow already knew about it had let the late Defense Secretary Forrestal to announce suddenly in 1948 that the United States was engaged on a spaceship project.

"I can't answer that question," replied Dr. Bush, scientific chief of scientific research and development.

He resigned Oct. 11, 1948—2½ months before Forrestal's announcement on the spaceship—40 return to the old job as president of the Carnegie Institution in Washington.

The Forrestal report making public the spaceship program stated that Dr. Bush had had about 12,000 projects under his purview.

In private I asked him about it in late 1947. He said he got it from one of the top, as he put it.

He said he thought it was secret.

He said it was then discussed which would be suspended at a point of no gravity between moon and earth and, as a satellite, would spin around the moon.

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Testimony at the spy trial has the implication that the spy was regarded cracking of the spaceship secret as one of the most important secrets of the Government.

The Pentagon never has said another word publicly about the spaceship program since Forrestal's guarded broadcast of the report.

Why it would be so startling to secret to Moscow can be deduced from a listing of military secrets of such a nature which are guarded by scientific secrecy.

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By Leonard Lyons



The lawyers for atom-bomb spy Ethel Rosenberg, who are trying to have her moved from the death house at Sing Sing, have been informed that her husband and doomed co-defendant, Julius Rosenberg, also will be transferred to the death house, within the next few days . . . The former Edsel Ford estate will be the site of the new quarters for the United Auto Workers Union . . . Marc Connelly, the producer-director-playwright who won a Pulitzer Prize for "Green Pastures," may turn drama critic for the Herald Tribune . . . Maj. Story, the pilot for Gen. MacArthur, will remain with MacArthur.

Alfred E. Lyon, chairman of the board of Philip Morris, was offered the Ambassadorship to Cuba, and turned it down . . . Rudolph Halley spent the week-end revising the Kefauver Committee's report about New York—but the only changes were in writing style and phrases, not in the facts or conclusion . . . Halley, incidentally, rejected another radio offer last week, to appear on a panel-show at \$600 a week. This brings his total refusals to \$180,000 for the year . . . Claude Dauphin, the French star, will return to America in July. He is entering under the quota and will become naturalized.

A few nights ago on Central Park South, Judge Samuel S. Leibowitz saw a familiar figure—Harry Gross, the bookie whose arrest in a \$1,000,000-a-year police-gambling ring deal touched off the Grand Jury investigation. Leibowitz had ordered him held in \$250,000 bail. Gross made several appearances in his courtroom. Then, after he pleaded guilty and testified at length before the Grand Jury, the bail finally was reduced and he was freed . . . When Gross saw the Judge on the street, he failed to recognize him. "You see, Judge," the bookie later explained, "I've never before seen you with your hat on."

"Cavalcade of America," long a successful radio program, will be seen on television screens next season. The programs are being filmed at Columbia Pictures by Jack Shertok. He already has completed the first eight reels . . . At the premiere of ANTA's "The Little Blue Light" there were three Mrs. Burgess Merediths in the audience—the present one and two former ones . . . Dr. Ronald Richter, the man who claims to have produced a new kind of atom bomb for Peron of Argentina, stated that he was "the brightest pupil of Einstein's biographer, Dr. Philipp Frank, who now is at Oxford. When Dr. Frank was questioned about Richter, he couldn't recall this "brightest pupil," then finally said his recollection of him was only vague.

This is the story told of Israel's Prime Minister Ben Gurion: A visitor to his country said to him: "Mr. Prime Minister, you are the greatest businessman in the world, a true business genius." And then the man explained: "When I was in America, I heard it said that you had sold Israel to the Russians. And when I was behind the Iron Curtain, I heard it said that you sold Israel to the Americans. And now, here in Tel Aviv, I heard it said that you sold the country to the Mitachi, the religious group. Well, sir, any man who can sell this country three times must be a business genius."

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"Gramercy Ghost," the new comedy starring Sarah Churchill and Robert Sterling, received a bit of doctoring by S. N. ... before the Broadway premiere ... Kurt Kazner left "The Happy Time" on ... night, to start his film career at MGM. At the final performance the cast substituted real wine for the colored water in the samovar from which Kazner had to take long sips throughout the show ... As a result of J. Edgar Hoover's announcement about the number of Communists in N. Y.—the probability is that the Federal staff here will take action quickly, against a large number, including big-name Reds.

Kefauver may subpoena Drew Pearson and question him about how the copy of his report prematurely reached him ... After the premature publication, incidentally, the Committee rewrote the portion about the Governor of Missouri and made it tougher ... From Royce Moch, Chief Publications Section, United States Department of State: "Dear Mr. Lyons, We would very much appreciate your permission to distribute to State Department missions throughout the world for translation and possible republication your article, 'A Bouquet for Margaret Truman' from the March 27 issue of Look Magazine."

Herbert Bayard Swope Jr. was discussing his "Lights Out" TV show with Leonard L. Levinson, who asked him: "By the way, where are you dining tonight?" Swope said, "I'm having dinner with my father," and Levinson called him: "Name dropper" ... The Pulitzer Prize Committee must have had a tough time in selecting its choice for this year. It was a two-day session ... The Blue Angel's proprietor is seeking revue material from sketch writers, hoping to install a summer-stock theater in the nightclub ... Binnie Barnes refuses to do any guest-star shows in radio or TV unless she is paid for it. "I've already had my schooling, I'm now a pro—and pros should be paid," she says. "Unless, of course, it's for a friend. And, unfortunately, I've found that the friends' programs usually are the worst ones."

Jack Mursaskin, of Jamaica, L. I., is nine years old and admires the United Nations. He even sleeps with a UN flag over his bed. And when he learned that the UN Secretariat is collecting money for famine relief in India, he tucked his \$1 allowance into his pocket and set out for Lake Success. He walked the halls there, looking for someone to accept his money. He stopped a passerby—a member of the UN Radio Division—and told him his story. The man took him to the proper office where Jack contributed his \$1, then put him on the UN radio ... That night the broadcast was heard over 500 stations. Sir Benegal Rau heard it in Canada, phoned his N. Y. office and today Jack will meet Rau in the Security Council chambers and receive the UN delegate's personal thanks in behalf of all of India.

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Writer Refuses to Tell
Spy-Case Items' Source

Leonard Lyons, columnist for "The New York Post," said a United States District Court yesterday that "the relationship between a news source and a newspaper man is as sacred as between a lawyer and his client, a doctor and his patient and a clergyman and a confessor."

Mr. Lyons gave this as his reason for refusing to disclose the sources of certain items he had written about the case of Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, condemned atom-bomb spy.

His refusal to answer came in the second day of a hearing brought by the woman's lawyer, Emanuel Bloch, to have Mrs. Rosenberg transferred from the death house at Sing Sing to the Women's House of Detention, 10 Greenwich Avenue. She contends that she is subjected to "cruel and inhuman treatment" to make her talk.

Judge John C. Knox, hearing the Rosenberg motion, set 11 a. m. Monday for further argument on the question posed by Mr. Lyons' refusal.

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Spy Hearing Questions Rights of Newsmen

Columnist Refuses to Tell Where He Got Items About Ethel Rosenberg

The right of a newspaperman to withhold his source of information will be argued before Federal Judge John C. Knox Monday in an offshoot of the recent atom spy trial.

The question came up yesterday at a hearing on Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg's appeal to be transferred from Sing Sing's death house to the Women's House of Detention, 10 Greenwich St. Mrs. Rosenberg and her husband Julius were sentenced to death for atom spying. Both are appealing.

Leonard Lyons, a columnist for the New York Post, was called to the stand by Mrs. Rosenberg's attorney, Emanuel Bloch, to testify about a series of items he had printed during the trial.

Mr. Lyons refused to divulge the source of his information, but said he believed the items were authentic.

His refusal, Mr. Lyons said, was

based on his belief that "the relationship between news sources and newspapermen is as sacred as between lawyer and client, doctor and patient, and a clergyman and a confessor."

Mrs. Rosenberg, in asking that she be confined in the House of Detention until her appeal from the death sentence is decided, has charged that the government moved her to the death house to subject her to "cruel and inhuman" treatment to make her talk.

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Lyons Refuses To Bare Sources Of A-Spy Items

Argument will be resumed Monday morning in the case of Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, condemned atom bomb spy, on the question whether a newspaper columnist must disclose the source of his information

Leonard Lyons columnist for The Post yesterday refused to divulge the sources of about 20 items he had printed concerning the recent spy trial. He had been called to testify by Emanuel Bloch attorney for Mrs. Rosenberg who is seeking to be transferred from the Sing Sing death house to the Women's House of Detention 10 Greenwich Av. She contends she is subjected to "cruel and inhuman treatment" to make her talk.

Lyons admitted the news items were not given him by anyone in government service, but refused to give the source because, he said, "the relationship between news sources and newspapermen is as sacred as between lawyer and client, doctor

and patient, and a clergyman and a confessor."

Bloch argued that newspapermen did not enjoy the same privileges in this state as did doctors, lawyers and clergymen. Federal Judge Knox set 11 a.m. Monday for further argument on the question.

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Quiz Leonard Lyons On Spy Case 'Leaks'

Leonard Lyons, of the New York Post, yesterday became the second gossip columnist in two days to become embroiled in court over "exclusives" printed about the case of Mr. and Mrs. Julius Rosenberg, under death sentence on espionage conspiracy charges.

Lyons appeared at the second day of Federal Court hearings on a motion by defense counsel Emanuel Bloch to have Mrs. Rosenberg removed from the Sing Sing death house pending appeal. The columnist refused to answer several questions by Bloch on the sources of 20 items he used about the spy case.

Bloch argued that under the law, the only persons who have the privilege of concealing sources of information are lawyers, doctors and clergymen. Lyons argued that newspapermen also were privileged.

Judge Knox said he would hear further argument on the point Monday. He indicated tentative agreement with Lyons by referring to a case "many years ago" in which he thought he remembered the Supreme Court ruled in favor of a newspaperman. Hy Gardner, Herald Tribune columnist, admitted Wednesday that he was employing only "spec-

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ulation" when he reported that "inside sources will have you believe" that the Rosenbergs were to get death sentences to make them talk. Gardner described "inside sources" as "a figure of speech." He said he got no information from any government source.

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The Lyons Den

By Leonard Lyons



Because the climate of our times is such that refusal-to-answer-questions-under-oath is synonymous, in the public mind, with admission of Red activities or defiance of Senatorial crime investigators, I write this now—by way of explanation of my appearance before Federal Judge Knox yesterday. I was there under subpoena from Emanuel Bloch, attorney for Ethel Rosenberg, who was convicted and sentenced to death in the atom-bomb spy case. She is in the death house at Sing Sing. Her husband and co-defendant, who also was convicted and sentenced to death, is in the Federal House of Detention.

In a novel proceeding to have his client removed from the death house, Mr. Bloch subpoenaed me for questioning about the many stories I've printed concerning this case. I was sworn in and took the witness stand. Mr. Bloch read each one of my items, aloud, introduced them into the record—and then politely but firmly and persistently asked me to state the source of information in each case. I refused to reveal my source, in each case, and stated my belief that the relationship between news source and newspaperman is as privileged as that between client and lawyer, patient and doctor and confessor and clergyman. Mr. Bloch asked the Court to direct me to answer. Judge Knox will make his decision known on Monday.

David Greenglass, brother of Mrs. Rosenberg, who testified against her and her husband, will spend his prison term at the Federal jail in Lewisburg . . . Remington-Rand will pay the Waldorf-Astoria's bill for Gen. MacArthur's stay there . . . Basketball alumni of a local college, whose team was involved in fixes this year, created an organization to help the "dumpers." They obtained consent for the players to return to the school and be graduated—but the coach of the team killed the plan . . . During his Strand engagement Warner Bros. wouldn't permit Gordon MacRae to make jokes about TV, because it's a rival medium.

Martin Gabel, who played the psychiatrist in "Fourteen Hours," was offered a role in the movie version of the Gen. Rommel story. The role was that of a Nazi General who advised Rommel to kill himself. Gabel refused it. Now 20th Century-Fox wants him for the role of Adolf Hitler in that film. Although the role is smaller than the first one offered him, Gabel is asking for a higher fee . . . The new press agent for the Stork Club is the TV and radio actress, Jacqueline Billingsley . . . Dr. Frederic Wertham, the psychiatrist and author of "Dark Legend," will be a witness in the Mrs. Rosenberg hearings next week.

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The Freedoms Foundation has just presented more of its annual awards. One of the prizes went to Darryl Zanuck of 20th Century-Fox, for making the movie, "Mid Century Man of Tomorrow." Mr. Zanuck studied the award plaque, and was puzzled, for he never had heard of this film. His assistants then discovered that the March of Time, which 20th Century-Fox only distributes but doesn't produce, had made a documentary film called "Mid Century—Half Way to Where?" The plaque therefore is being corrected, and then will be presented to Richard de Rochemont, head of the March of Time.

Two girls from Independence, Mo., who made good, one a Democrat the other a Republican, will be starred with Tallulah Bankhead on the same Big Show broadcast—Margaret Truman and Ginger Rogers . . . David Wayne, who leaped from "Mr. Roberts" to Hollywood and now Columbia's new film, "M," is up for the biggest role in his career—the F. Scott Fitzgerald role in "This Side of Paradise" . . . Raymond Loewy, the industrial designer, has entered the competition for the design to be worn by Eisenhower's SHAPE personnel. If he wins the bottle of cognac offered as the prize, Loewy will collect it in person when he flies to Paris next month . . . Vic Damone arrives in N. Y. this week to make as many recordings as possible before he enters the Army.

When Jack Barry, the Hollywood director, was mentioned by the House Un-American Activities Committee, Jack Barry, the radio and TV producer, placed a phone call for Rep. John Wood, Chairman of the Committee. "Mr. Wood," Barry began, "there seems to be a case of mistaken identity between a man wanted by your committee, Jack Barry, and me, Jack Barry" . . . "I'd like to help you, Mr. Barry," replied the Congressman, "but there seems to be a case of mistaken identity at your end too. I'm Representative John T. Wood of Idaho. The man you want is Representative John S. Wood of Georgia."

Greta Garbo met Frank Loesser, who invited her to see his show, "Guys and Dolls." Miss Garbo didn't seem eager to see this or any other show. "Do you prefer going to the movies?" Loesser asked her, and Garbo said: "Well, for one thing, you can see a movie at any time of the day or night, whenever you want—9 a.m., 2 p.m., or even midnight" . . . Jane Winton, the ex-stage and screen actress, makes her debut as a novelist with "Park Avenue Doctor" this month . . . Mr. and Mrs. Jan Murray went to see "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn." When they rushed back to the theater after the intermission, Mrs. Murray slipped and fell down on one knee. Her husband, ever the comedian, didn't help her up but, instead, said: "Hold it a minute. Now that you're down there, how about singing a couple of bars of 'Mammy'?"

Harvey Stone tells of the busload of be-bop musicians who were en route to a one-nighter. Suddenly there was a smash-up: the bus was demolished and the bodies of the hepsters were strewn all over the road. The lone survivor was the saxophone player who landed in a tree. A motorcycle cop drove up, viewed the disaster then noticed the sax player in the tree. "What happened?" asked the cop . . . "Man," replied the sax player, "somebody goofed."

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The Lyons Den

By Leonard Lyons



The Daily Worker reported: "Leonard Lyons was accused in Federal Court yesterday of committing an 'act of treachery' and spreading 'a vicious falsehood' when he wrote in his New York Post column that Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, condemned to death of alleged A-Bomb espionage, had never, while in jail, sought to see their two children. The accusation was made by Emanuel Bloch, attorney for the condemned couple, during a hearing in Judge John C. Knox's court on a motion to remove Mrs. Rosenberg from the Sing Sing death house pending appeal." . . . The Daily Worker, of course, lied.

Neither I nor the reporters present, heard any mention of "act of treachery." Mr. Bloch assured me that he hadn't said it and that the minutes would prove he hadn't said it . . . He did question me, in court, about my item—one of 20 I'd printed about the atom bomb spy case—that the Rosenbergs hadn't asked to see their children. The lawyer denied this was true and said the social workers prevented the Rosenbergs from seeing their children. The Worker failed to mention that Irving Saypol, the U. S. Attorney, then had arisen and told the Court that the social workers had not interfered.

The Worker dismissed the essence of the day's proceedings—which was my refusal, as a newspaperman, to disclose to the attorney for the convicted spies, or to anybody else, the sources of my information. In the Daily Worker's Paradise, the Soviet Union, I eventually would be shot for such a refusal. But here I can and did elect to refuse to reveal my sources. On Monday Judge Knox will decide whether the Court shall direct me to name my sources, or whether such information is privileged . . . I will not resort to subterfuge and say it came from "anonymous sources." I know the sources. I will not name them.

The prospect of a jail sentence for contempt has stirred some of my friends to make expressions of faith. Albert D. Lasker and Billy Rose have volunteered to put up bail. Paul Gallico has assured me that if I go to jail, he will not turn his back on me. Sherman Billingsley and Leo Lindy have promised to supply the meals, and Olivia de Havilland said she would deliver the food packages. Ethel Merman, Vivian Blaine, Celeste Holm and Gertrude Lawrence would sing midnight serenades from across the street . . . But nothing's going to happen to me, 'cause Bill Boyd just telephoned and promised: "I'll come in with mah two guns blazin', poodner, and get you out. They can't keep a pal of Hoppy's in the clink."

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Rosenberg to Join Wife in Death House

Julius Rosenberg, 32, condemned atom spy, will join his wife, Ethel, 35, today or tomorrow in Sing Sing's death house.

Federal authorities ordered the transfer of the traitorous electrical engineer, who has been held in the Federal House of Detention here since he and his wife were sentenced to death April 5 for conspiracy to commit espionage for Russia in World War II.

Mrs. Rosenberg, taken to the death house several weeks ago, is attempting through court proceeding to get out of condemned row pending her appeal. She maintains she was placed in the death house prematurely in an attempt to coerce her into talking.

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Spy Ordered to Death House

The transfer of Julius Rosenberg, who is under sentence of death as a spy, to the Sing Sing Prison death house has been ordered, by James V. Bennett, director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons. It was announced yesterday. United States Marshal William A. Carroll may move him today or tomorrow from the Federal House of Detention, 427 West Street. The prisoner's wife, Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, already has been moved to Sing Sing.

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Order Rosenberg To Death House

Julius Rosenberg, 32, condemned atom spy, has been ordered removed to the Sing Sing death house, where his wife, Ethel, 35, is a prisoner.

The U. S. Marshal's office yesterday said Rosenberg may be transferred to Ossining from the Federal House of Detention today or tomorrow.

Mrs. Rosenberg has instituted court proceedings to be re-transferred to the Women's House of

Detention, on the ground that by being held in the death cell she is subjected to "cruel and inhuman treatment" to make her talk.

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Atom Spy Nearer Chair

Convicted Russian atom spy Julius Rosenberg today moves closer to Sing Sing's electric chair in which he and his wife are sentenced to die the week of May 21.

The 33-year electrical engineer was to be transferred from the Federal House of Detention, 422 West st., to the Sing Sing death house, where his wife, Ethel, 35, already has been sent.

Mrs. Rosenberg is trying to win transfer back to the Women's House of Detention. She claims that being in the death cell subjects her to "cruel and inhuman treatment."

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Convicted A-Spy Rosenberg Going To Death House

Julius Rosenberg, 32, sentenced to death for atomic spying for Russia, will be removed from the Federal House of Detention, Manhattan, to Sing Sing's death house late today or tomorrow.

Meanwhile, his wife, Ethel, 35, already transferred to the death house, has instituted proceedings to be sent back to the Women's House of Detention, Manhattan, pending her appeal. She contends that the Government sent her to the death cell to subject her to "cruel and inhuman treatment" to make her talk.

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Rosenberg to Join Wife in Death House

While Federal Judge Knox deliberates on the petition of Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg for her removal from the Sing Sing death house to the Women's House of Detention here pending her appeal, the government decided yesterday to move her husband, Julius, into the death house with her.

James V. Bennett, Director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons, sent an order to U. S. Marshal William A. Carroll to move Rosenberg from the Federal House of Detention here. Carroll said he probably would make the transfer today or tomorrow.

The Rosenbergs are under death sentence on their conviction as atom spies for Soviet Russia. They have appealed.

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ROSENBERG SHIFTED TO THE DEATH HOUSE

Pallid and blinking in the mid-day sunshine, Julius Rosenberg, convicted atom spy, was transferred yesterday from the Federal House of Detention on West Street to the death house at Sing Sing. Warden Wilfred Denno said Rosenberg might make supervised visits to his wife, Ethel, already in the death house.

Rosenberg was taken in an automobile by Chief United States Marshall William A. Carroll, Warden E. E. Thompson of the detention house and two deputy marshals. His wrists were handcuffed.

One hundred dock workers and bartenders augmented photographers and reporters waiting in a semi-circle around the detention house's main floor as the condemned man emerged. Except for a day's growth of whiskers, Rosenberg was neat in appearance. He wore a double-breasted gray suit with a white handkerchief in his breast pocket and a red tie with a palm-tree pattern.

At Sing Sing he was assigned the prison number 110,649. To the routine question, "To what do you attribute your criminal act?" he replied, "Neither I nor my wife is guilty." The execution date has not been fixed pending the outcome of appeals.

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A-Spy, Wife In Death Row

Julius Rosenberg, 33, the convicted A-bomb spy joined his wife, Ethel, 35, in the Sing Sing death house yesterday afternoon, still protesting his innocence. Asked the usual Sing Sing entrance question — to what he attributed his criminal act — Rosenberg said:

"Neither I nor my wife is guilty."

The convicted Soviet spy was given No. 110649, and \$2.08 cash on him was impounded.

There are now six men, including Rosenberg, in the death house and his wife, who arrived April 11.

Chief Marshal William A. Carroll, Chief Deputy Thomas Farley, Deputy Pasquale Sabatello and Warden E. E. Thompson, of the House of Detention, drove the manacled Rosenberg to Sing Sing from the Federal House of Detention, 427 West St.

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Julius Rosenberg joined his wife, Ethel, as an inmate of the death house at Sing Sing yesterday. The Brooklyn couple are under death sentence for their conviction as atom spies. They have appealed.

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Rosenberg Taken to Death House at Sing Sing



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Julius Rosenberg (left) riding in back of car yesterday with a Federal deputy marshal

Julius Rosenberg, thirty-three, smiling and debonair in a blue-gray double-breasted suit, was driven by United States marshals to the Sing Sing prison death house yesterday afternoon from the Federal House of Detention. His wife, Ethel, also under sentence of death on their conviction of atomic bomb spying, is already in the women's division of the death house, and is appealing her incarceration there. She seeks

return to the Women's House of Detention, 10 Greenwich Ave.

Both are under sentence of execution at Sing Sing during the week beginning Monday.

Rosenberg sat in the back seat of the car that met him at the curb outside the main entrance of the House of Detention, 427 West St., between Warden E. E. Thompson, of the House of Detention, and Deputy Marshal Pasquale Sabatello. Driver of the car was

Thomas Farley, Chief Deputy Marshal. Beside him sat Chief Marshal William A. Carroll.

The car arrived at the prison at 2:30 p. m., and there Rosenberg was put through the admittance routine. The \$2.08 in cash that he carried with him was impounded as contraband; he had no jewelry with him. He was asked the address of his next of kin, and gave it as that of his mother, Mrs. Sophie Rosenberg, New York City.

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BEAUTY DEPT.: Tyrone Power, wearing unusual dinner clothes—a dark pea jacket and a silk-ruffled dress-shirt—was a guest at the dinner party given by Mr. and Mrs. Ira Haupt. The handsome screen star was seated next to Harriet Ames, who stared in wonder at him. Then, without taking her eyes from Power, she shouted to her attorney: "Tie up my assets until this dream boy leaves town," and told the other guests: "My sense of values would be restored only if Mr. Power were to lose his hair."

VACATION DEPT.: As soon as Mary Martin ends her Broadway run in "South Pacific" on June 2, she and her husband, Richard Halliday, will board a rented 69-ft. yacht and head for the Atlantic. The yacht is one which has crossed the ocean several times. "And how long do you expect to stay aboard the boat?" the Hallidays were asked . . . "Until the morning when Mary wakes up," he replied, "and finally says 'My bones feel good.'"

SONG DEPT.: The Ezio Pinza took the Hallidays to the Stork Club yesterday, and Pinza told Miss Martin about the Hollywood dinners where he always was asked to sing "Some Enchanted Evening" . . . "I'd always sing something else," Pinza told his former co-star. "People just can't understand that it is impossible for me to sing 'Enchanted Evening' properly, unless I sing it to you" . . . "I understand that," said Miss Martin. "It's like when they ask me to do 'My Heart Belongs to Daddy.' I can't do right by it unless I strip."

MUSIC DEPT.: Yma Sumac, the Peruvian sensation, made her Broadway debut this week in "Flahooley." Sumac has a voice range covering four octaves—perhaps even higher but only dogs could attest to that . . . "Sumac can hit notes so high," said actor Dan Tobin, "she should be allowed to sing only in air raids."

FASHION NOTE: The Boston Chamber of Commerce held its First Assembly of American Women of Achievement, and presented bejeweled medals to Sylvia F. Porter, Jacqueline Cochran, Eleanor Steber, Ethel Waters, Virginia C. Gildersleeve, Faye Emerson, Cornelia Otis Skinner and others . . . It was announced that Hattie Carnegie had been selected "because what Andrew Carnegie did for steel Hattie did for silk" . . . Before the meeting the Awards Committee met to decide on how the medals were to be pinned onto the recipients. Mrs. Harry J. Blake, wife of the Pres. of the Chamber of Commerce, was the test "winner."

Mrs. Blake reminded the committee that the ladies who were to receive the medals would all be wearing dinner gowns. "Who would pin the medals on them?" Mrs. Blake asked the men. And one of the proper men asked: "And what'll we do when we come to Faye Emerson's medal?" . . . A vote was taken, and the decision resulted in this procedure: As each lady was called up, the toastmaster handed her the medal and whispered: "Would you mind pinning it on yourself?"

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POETRY DEPT.: The late Nobel Prize winner, Andre Gide, was an agnostic. He fought about religion with Paul Claudel, the playwright-novelist who was France's Ambassador to Japan and who is deeply religious . . . A French newspaper recently received a cablegram which allegedly came from Gide, who died last year. It read: "I am in Heaven—There is no Hell—Continue sinning—Note, Paul Claudel."

LOCAL NEWS: The Yugoslavs will call a World Peace Conference in Belgrade this summer, to wean Europe's leftists away from Moscow . . . Orson Welles is making a series of recordings of original radio plays for American networks. He's making the recordings at Radio Lux . . . Carey McWilliams is rushing to N. Y. for an editorial post at The Nation . . . Gen. Eisenhower has changed his plans about coming back to preside over the American Assembly at Arden, N. Y. Lew Douglas will substitute for him there . . . Billy Rose, now 50 and in semi-retirement, is fulfilling another boyhood ambition. He's learning to drive a car.

PRESS DEPT.: Julius Rosenberg, the doomed atom-bomb spy, was removed from the Federal House of Detention on Tuesday and sent to the death-house at Sing Sing, where his wife has been a prisoner since soon after they were sentenced. Rosenberg's removal to Sing Sing at this time was mentioned in my column—and is one of the 20 items whose sources the counsel for the spies demands to know . . . Judge John C. Knox, who was to decide whether the Court will direct me to answer, unfortunately is ill and was taken to a hospital yesterday.

In the meantime, at my request, Rep. Louis Heller has introduced a bill in Congress, to exempt newspapermen from having to reveal sources of information. This legislation would not apply to my case, for it is not retroactive . . . This is important legislation, to remedy a situation where newspapermen too frequently face a threat of a citation for contempt of court. No newspaperman, to my knowledge, ever has revealed a source even with a jail sentence as the alternative. We all do and will adhere to this tradition . . . If the Heller bill is passed, it would encourage the flow of information, broaden the accesses to truths and thereby help preserve and strengthen the freedom of our press.

CRIME DEPT.: Larry Goddard worked for the Kefauver Committee, and his job was to receive the witnesses subpoenaed to private hearings, and bring them into the room where testimony was taken. Goddard therefore had an opportunity to meet Frank Costello, Joe Adonis and a host of other notorious figures in the underworld . . . Sen. Kefauver asked him what he thought of them. "The trouble with these racketeers, Senator," said the young man, "is that they're so congenial; so damn congenial."

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Kin Not Visiting Spies in Prison

Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, 35, convicted atom spy for Russia, has been in the death house six weeks, and her husband and doomed co-defendant, Julius, 33, has been there 10 days, but neither has been visited yet by relatives, Sing Sing officials disclosed yesterday. Prison observers assumed it was because the couple had notified they kin they wished no visitors.

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The Forgotten: The Rosenbergs

Special to World-Telegram and Sun.

SING SING, May 25.—Most occupants of the death house have friends or relatives to console them.

Not so Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, the condemned atom spies. Prison authorities say nobody has visited them.

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ROSENBERGS GET LETTERS

Husband and Wife Write to Each Other in Sing Sing Prison

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES
OSSINING, N. Y., May 26—

Correspondence has been opened in Sing Sing between Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, 35 years old, and her husband, Julius Rosenberg, 33, Federal prisoners in the death house. Their letters are closely scrutinized by either Charles Glazier, official chief censor, or one of his assistants. The letters, after being censored, are sealed in envelopes and delivered, along with any censored mail from outside the walls.

Warden Wilfred Denno has permitted each to write a letter a day, but neither Mrs. Rosenberg nor her husband writes that frequently. They are unable to see or talk to one another, as they are kept in separate corridors of the death house. Neither has asked a visit from the other, although Warden Denno has indicated such a meeting might be permitted, occasionally, under close supervision. It is seventy-eight years since both husband and wife were in prison there and carried on an intramural correspondence. They were Ned and Sophie Lyons, swindlers.

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A-Bomb Spies Swap Letters

Atom bomb spies Julius and Ethel Rosenberg write letters to one another from separate wings in the Sing Sing Prison death house, State attaches said yesterday.

The letters go through the prison's censorship channels. Warden Wilfred Denno has authorized the two to write one letter a day to each other.

The Rosenbergs were sentenced to death for stealing American atom-bomb secrets for a Soviet spy ring.

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The Lyons Den

By Leonard Lyons



THE LADY DEPARTS: Barbara Hutton will sail for Europe on Wednesday. Her physicians had cautioned her that if she were to return to Mexico, as she had planned, it might impair her health. Her proposal to spend the summer in the West, with her son, also was frowned upon with a warning that her frail condition cannot withstand the 6,500-ft. altitude. Miss Hutton therefore decided to go to Paris. "A new Spring dress and a Paris hat," she said, "are a tonic for any woman's morale." She'll spend part of the summer at her home in Tangiers, the only house she owns.

Her return to Paris will stir Prince Igor Troubetzkoy's hopes, of course, but in vain. Miss Hutton is determined against any reconciliation and resolute about giving him no money. Troubetzkoy is a citizen of France and under French law, if Miss Hutton were to move to an apartment in Paris, he would have the right to break in and live there too. But Troubetzkoy's dream of the Hutton millions and of a reconciliation will be shattered—for she will stay in a hotel, The Ritz, where her relatives, the Donohues, live, and outside her door, on 24-hour guard duty, will be stalwart American bodyguards.

THE PEOPLE WHO REMEMBERED: Nick Kelly, one of the overseers at the Copacabana, left the employ of the night club last week. He'd been there ever since it opened. He left because of a dispute with the management over the proper seating of Faye Emerson and Skitch Henderson . . . Before he came to New York, Kelly worked in the casinos of Nevada. There he met a nightclub dancer, Mayris Chaney. "If you ever get to New York," he told her, "look me up and I'll buy you a dinner." Miss Chaney remembered, looked him up, and accepted his invitation to dinner—and brought a friend, Eleanor Roosevelt.

It was a pleasant dinner, and when it was over Mrs. Roosevelt said the customary: "If there's anything I can do for you . . ." Kelly remembered two people who had befriended him in Nevada, Messrs. Graham and McKay, who were in the Federal Penitentiary—and boldly suggested that there was something Mrs. Roosevelt might do. She might help spring them, he said . . . Mrs. Roosevelt said she'd check into it—and she too remembered. She reported that a check on the case of the Nevada gamblers indicated that the wheels of justice had moved properly in their case, and that any interference would be unwarranted.

THE AILING COMIC: Jackie Gleason is staying at Doctors Hospital, between appearances on his "Cavalcade of Stars" program. Fred Allen visited him there last week, and when a nurse, carrying a hypodermic, approached Gleason he turned to Allen and asked: "Would you like to join me in a shot?" . . . Gleason then was given a check for the luncheon and signed it. "Just like in a nightclub," said Allen. "Tell me, can you bring a girl up here too?" . . . "Of course," replied Gleason, "but only if she has a fever."

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CHATTER: A memoir on Jan Masaryk, published privately by Sir Bruce Lockhart, reveals the plans Masaryk had made to escape from Red Prague—on the day he met his death . . . The next political headlines will come out of the State Liquor Authority . . . Winston Churchill received from Margaret Truman a first-hand report on his daughter Sarah's appearance on Broadway in "Gramercy Ghost" . . . For the first time since the outbreak of the last war, there'll be a revival of the traditional N.Y. U.H. & H.R.R. observation train and the dinner-dance at the Griswold, following the Harvard-Yale Regatta June 22 . . . The New Leader just was served with a \$200,000 libel suit by The Nation and Alvarez del Vayo.

THE PRACTICAL JOKE: Alfred Hitchcock, who frequently indulges in complicated practical jokes, spoke yesterday of the finest and least expensive practical joke he'd ever heard of. He chose this one because of its simplicity and because it involved a psychological touch which played on pride, bewilderment and near-panic. The victim was a distinguished electrical engineer, one of the nation's foremost experts on mechanics. He worked at a large desk and he never left it until the problems of the day had been solved and all the papers cleared, leaving it shiny and bare.

On the ceiling directly above the desk was a large electric fan. One morning, when the engineer came to his office, he found a tiny screw on the desk. He inspected the fan, watched it operate and could detect nothing wrong . . . The next day he found on his desk a tiny spring, on which there still was a smear of oil. He was perplexed, operated the fan and still could detect nothing wrong. He inspected the fan closely, took it apart, put it together again, but couldn't find the place from which the screw and the spring had come . . . When he arrived at his office the third morning, he found his desk shiny and bare—but all four walls had been sprayed, as if in one whirring motion, with "escaping" oil.

THE VISIT: The mother of David Greenglass and Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, the atom-bomb spies, is anxious to visit her daughter in the death-house at Sing Sing. The tragic woman is eager to talk to her daughter, in the hope she could persuade her to do as her brother did, and disclose the full story of the espionage. So far her efforts to see Mrs. Rosenberg and her son-in-law, Julius Rosenberg, have been fruitless, for their attorney said they do not wish to see her. Mrs. Greenglass, therefore, will make a direct appeal, to cut through other intermediaries and ask permission of the Director of Prisons.

Mrs. Greenglass' first inkling of their political fervor came in 1940, during the Soviet-Nazi pact, when her son, David, tried to take down the picture of President Roosevelt which the mother kept in her apartment. She protested and asked David why, "Julius," her son told her, "says he's bad."

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Apathy Flourishes In Washington

By Doris Fleenon



Washington, June 7.—The next few weeks will show whether the Truman Administration has the will to fight for its policies.

The Senate calendar is bare. Senators who have been checking the legislative prospects, in the hope of making vacation plans, hear that a minimum of action is contemplated. Appropriations—regular and special—extension of the defense act, and very little else are being discussed.



MRS. ROSENBERG

Most committees are rocking along desultorily, meeting seldom and making no effort to produce major legislation. On those that are active—Appropriations, Banking and Currency, and the combined Foreign Relations-Armed Services group—hostile Republicans keep taking the initiative. Judiciary, under Chairman McCarran, is practically on a sitdown strike and no real attempt is being made to break it.

President Truman's scheme of cozy little conferences with groups of Democrats has not been very productive of either action or understanding. He has not affected the legislative torpor and his callers have had little apparent influence on his thinking about retention of Secretary of State Acheson, Donald Dawson and others.

Many members of Congress are also bitterly dissatisfied with the functioning—or lack of it—of the National Committee. So far they have not dented the complacency of Chairman Boyle nor persuaded the President that the committee needs a shake-up badly. Nor are they getting the help from the committee that they want.

The capitol story is that the politics-for-profit boys control the committee, choose its staff and absorb its energy. No interest is taken, it is charged, in the business of reelecting those Democrats actually on the firing line. There is a grapevine report that the President will soon find out by way of some actions that these gripes are real and deeply felt.

To some degree the same lack of liaison prevails between the departments and the Hill. Each charges the other with apathy and both can prove it.

Senators complain that the executive branch does not use its weapons to follow through when avenues to help the Administration are opened to them. The Justice Dept. under Attorney General McGrath is a particular target of this complaint. Senate Armed Services, for example, worked long and hard for the eventual triumphant vindication of Assistant Secretary of Defense Rosenberg; the record of its hearings, which apparently showed rank perjury, went to the Justice Dept. and obscurity.

In their preoccupation with the past, its controversies and its errors, in their insistence upon proving that Mr. Roosevelt was wrong and they were right, Republicans are failing to call attention to these aspects of what is wrong with the present. It is still a fertile field.

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Shift to Death Cell Of Atom Spy Upheld

Court Turns Down Appeal of Ethel Rosenberg

Judge Henry W. Goddard ruled yesterday in United States District Court that the transfer of Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, convicted atomic spy, to Sing Sing Prison was lawful and that her confinement in the death cell block was "not unusual or cruel and inhuman within the meaning of the Eighth Amendment of the United States Constitution."

Mrs. Rosenberg had obtained a writ of habeas corpus when she charged the government had moved her from the women's house of detention to Sing Sing's death house to subject her to "cruel and inhuman punishment" and to "break her" into confessing a crime about which she maintains her innocence, although she has been convicted. She and her husband, Julius, were convicted April 5 of conspiracy to transmit military secrets to Russia, and were sentenced to death. Their executions were stayed pending appeals. A third defendant, Morton Sobell, was given thirty years in prison.

Judge Goddard ruled that the Attorney General has the authority to transfer prisoners from a Federal prison to a state prison. The court also ruled that the defense did not introduce any convincing evidence that Mrs. Rosenberg was removed to the death cell in an effort to break her.

Judge Goddard said that Mrs. Rosenberg's transfer was not instigated by Federal authorities but by city authorities, who operate the Women's House of Detention. He said evidence at the hearing was that the House of Detention was overcrowded and there were no facilities there to take care of a woman awaiting the death penalty.

The court found that Mrs. Rosenberg is getting the same treatment as a state prisoner who might be awaiting execution. He added that the Legislature and the courts of New York have determined that confinement in the death cell does not inflict cruel punishment.

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Mrs. Rosenberg Must Stay in Death House

Mrs. Ethel Rosenberg, sentenced to death as an atom spy, will have to stay in her Sing Sing death cell until her appeal is decided.

Her attempt to be shifted back to the Women's House of Detention failed yesterday with Judge Henry W. Goddard's ruling federal authorities did not act improperly in transferring her to the state prison.

He held her counsel had not submitted any convincing evidence to bear out her contention she was shifted to the death cell block in an effort to "break" her into confession.

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Walter Winchell Of New York

Broadway Ballad

Last night, between the midnight and the dawn,
I walked the quiet avenues of sleep,
And everywhere I looked—the blinds were drawn
Against the passer-by who went to keep
A rendezvous with memory...but you,
Like other people, were in slumber curled,
And in my hour of heartbreak never knew
That I was lonely, somewhere in the world.

Why must my recollection be so keen,
So poignant, and why must I be the kind
Who mourns a falling petal, while serene
And placid are the waters of your mind?

The law of compensation must be such
That some should dream too little—some too much.

—Mitchell Parish

Celebs About Town: M'seer Roger Rico, who inherits Pinza's "Pacific" role Monday night (with his beautiful wife), in the Cub Room. Faye Emerson says he will "kill the people." Advance heralds call him "another Chaliapin"... Don Ameche, who "invented" the telephone (in the cinemas), getting exasperated over one in a Croydon Hotel booth... Myron ("S. Pac.") McCormick picking up his Variety at B'way and 50th and his Baybee at 51st... Peggy Lee shopping along 5th Avenue. This Little Peggy Went to Market... Riviera chorine Eve Michel, who (oddly enough) is prettier without her stage makeup... Roddy MacDowall of The Films looking so very grown up at Gogi's LaRue, except for the tall tumbler of milk... Clara, the hatchick (at the Colony), who can tell you what socialite owns which fur, how expensive it is, when she got it and how!

Sallies in Our Alley: Some of us were wondering about a Hollywood pair—reported planning a merger... "I can't understand it," said a lad from Knoxville, "She's known to be a charter member of The Daiqueerl Set—and so's he!"... "Oh, it's a perfect match," cracked a comic. "They can wear each other's clothes!"... Jack Carter said he planned going to Hollywood... "Got any friends out there?" he was asked... "No," niftied Jack. "Has anybody?"

Courthouse Vignette: It happened Monday when the convicted Communist chiefs (except a quartet that didn't) came up for sentence to prison... F. Vanderbilt Field, the millionaire-backer (of many pro-Reds), was worried stiff... In the corridor he was overheard groaning to some of them: "I put up \$20,000 bail for each of those four! You better find them before my \$80,000 is forfeited—or I'll become a Capitalist, again!"

Memos of a Midnighter: The Civil Rights Congress (labeled subversive by the Justice Dep't) knows that Field and others put up over \$500,000. To help pay fines and for bail... Ambassador John S. Young, the socialite, has Washington pals worried. They know he's unaware he is up for a new post, but won't return from Palm Beach where he is courting a wealthy two-time divorcee... They tell you that besides Fire Comm. Monaghan (for new Police Comm.) the Mayor was asked to consider Gen. Jeffe... Tax dep't agents are hep to entertainers who take a huge chunk of their wages "under the table." The squeeze will be put on them via the night spot people who hired them. If the latter cooperate with the Gov't—they may be rewarded with a lighter jail term, etc., B'way stage hits via levy (on a closed circuit like the big fights to theatres) are past the blueprint stage. A Wall St. syndicate is backing the plan.

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The Runyworld: The so-called organized crime is unorganized as to be ludicrous... Here's an example of its high degree of organization: One of the greatest headaches (bookies) are the law in many States which permit a loser to bring a suit and recover his losses. Some States permit him to do that, in the loser-parent (or brother, son, etc.) refuses... A few seasons ago one of the top gang chiefs (his slightest word is supposed to bring terror to his aides) found a way to have the law repealed in New York, where it costs bookies a fortune annually... He called a conference of all big bookmakers, outlined his plan, and said it would cost a contribution of a few thousand each... Not one of them would put up a nickel—and that law is still on the books... Some of them have had to shell out when losers start hollering.

Broadway Ding-Ding: The gag rounding the town deals with a psychiatrist who told a patient: "Just lie down on that guy over there. He thinks he's a couch!"... Secy of the Treasury Snyder (who has denied it a lot) tells pals he will quit after New Year's... RCA plans a big ad and promotion campaign to "bring back radio." To combat newspaper articles about its "death," etc... Robert A. Wright III and Jacqueline Gan were blended June 10th. He's a cub on The L. I. Star-Journal... Felicia Vanderbilt left for Paris in a huff after a verbal war with songhit writer Jimmy McHugh... Ann Dvorak and her mate are determined to make their marriage stick despite the many separations... Yvonne De Carlo's most ardent suitor (who won't take Nope) is the Earl of Landsborough, whoever that is... The State Dep't nixed a passport to Corliss Lamont, the zillionaire-southpaw. No explanation. They hear he's the angel for a faltering pinko paper... Wire from Joe Flamm: "The Court ruled in Lill St. Cyr's favor last week and she is completing her original four week contract at the Gaiety Theatre, Montreal, closing this Saturday"... The gem-thief Chesler—stark-publicity-mad—is really named Kessler.

Curtain Calls: The film, "Bright Victory," due at the Victoria, which played the last two Academy Award champs... Dolores' violin at the Park Ave... George Shearing at Birdland... Kay Armen's new platter, "Just in Case"... Maggie Whiting and Jack Smith at the Capitol... "The King and I" magic.

Sounds in the Night: At the Stork: "A girl is as young as the fools"... At Delaney's: "If she ever stops talking, a thousand rumors won't be born"... At Junior's: "You know the type. Lifted eyebrows, lifted pinky, lifted face"... At the ABC newsroom: "If you want to be alive on the 5th—don't drink 1 on the 4th."

The Late Watch: Julius Rosenberg, the atomic spy now in the death-house, told guards: "If I could last 2 or 3 years, I'd be rescued by Soviet airmen"... Intimates worried about Brenda Frazier. Losing considerable weight... Paddy Young, the fighter, just got his medical discharge from the Army. He's resumed training. How sick can he be?... Woody Morgan of the J. P. Morgan tribe is thrashing at the Park Avenue... The next big narcotics scandal will break from the city's transportation system. A bus driver (the top nose-candy seller) will get a departmental trial... One of those charity coin collectors (usually near Lindy's) is Mary Kissel, one of the Toasts of E. Carroll's Vanities. Hasn't she read the papers exposing this racket?

B'way Confucius: Man Who Angel Girlie Show No Angel.

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Doomed Spies Granted Time To File Appeal

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Aug. 2 (INS).—Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, under sentence of death as Atom spies, won a two-months' extension today to prepare an appeal from their sentence.

The extension, to Oct. 15, was granted the Rosenbergs' attorney, Emanuel H. Bloch of New York, by U. S. Circuit Court Judge Clark in New Haven.

Bloch disclosed that the Rosenbergs were visited yesterday in their death cells at Sing Sing by their two sons, 8 and 4 years old. It was the first time the Rosenbergs had seen their children in a year. Bloch said.

Rosenberg, 32, and his 35-year-old wife, were sentenced to death in New York on April 5 by Federal Judge Irving R. Kaufman for transmitting U. S. atom secrets to Russia during and after World War II.

Judge Clark also granted a two-months' extension to counsel for Morton Sobell, 34, under sentence of 30 years for betraying non-atomic military secrets.

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Atom Spies' 2 Sons — Visit Death House

By the Associated Press.

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There, in a bare concrete room with bars on the windows, the two boys met their parents, Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, condemned to die as atom spies for Russia.

The meeting Wednesday was the first in a year between the parents and their sons, Robert, 8, and Michael, 4.

One at a time, the parents were brought in for short visits—first the mother, then the father. Each parent brought small gifts for their sons—candy bars and a bag of hard candy bought at the prison canteen.

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Sing With Atom Spies in First Meeting in Year

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Execution of the Rosenbergs has been delayed indefinitely pending their appeal.

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Parents and children embraced. Shy at first in the strange surroundings, the boys soon were chatting about family and school. They have been staying with their paternal grandfather.

First with their mother, then with their father, they sang songs they had learned as a family circle at home.

There were no tears. The children were smiling happily when they left.

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Rosenbergs See Their Children In Death House

A quietly dramatic reunion took place Wednesday in the big, bare counsel room of the death house at Sing Sing prison between a father and mother under sentence to the electric chair and their two young sons whom they had not seen in a year.

The parents are Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, convicted last spring of espionage conspiracy. Yesterday their attorney, Emanuel H. Bloch, obtained from U. S. Court of Appeals Judge Clark in New Haven an extension from Aug. 15 to Oct. 15 for filing the record and brief in their appeal.

At the Sing Sing reunion, the 8 and 4-year-old boys spent an hour with each parent in separate meetings. Present with the mother were a sergeant of guards, a matron and Bloch. The sergeant and Bloch witnessed the meeting of father and sons.

There was some shyness at the start—the children had not seen their parents since the father's arrest in July, 1950 and the mother's in August. But they warmed up under parental embraces and homey conversation about family, school and camp. Together, mother and children and, later, father and children sang folk songs they had learned and sung in common when they had a home together. The children now are living with their paternal grandmother.

Also helping to resolve the first shyness were modest gifts brought to the meetings by the parents—a couple of candy bars and a bag of hard candy purchased at the prison canteen.

The older child revealed some

knowledge of his parents' plight and concern for their future. The parents were reassuring. Throughout the brief visits, they maintained an atmosphere of jollity, good humor and song.

The children left the prison happy. There had been no tears in their presence. These came afterwards.

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Spy Ethel Rosenberg Laughs as She Waits Death as a Traitor

By HOWARD RUSHMORE

"She was a full fledged partner in this crime—a crime worse than murder."—Judge R. Kaufman.

In the tiny yard surrounded by the grim gray walls of Sing Sing a plump, dark-haired woman scampers after the hand ball and her high-pitched laughter taunts her older and perspiring partner in the game.

A few feet from the hand-ball court is a somber room with a single object dominating the scene—a plain oaken chair in which American justice has decreed that Ethel Rosenberg will pay for "a crime worse than murder."

But the first woman ever to be sentenced to the supreme penalty for espionage seems oblivious to the lurking shadow of that wired chair a few feet from her cell block and her exercise court.

The four matrons assigned by Warden Wilfred Denno to guard the 35-year-old prisoner 24 hours a day are amazed by her cheerfulness, her brazen unconcern for the fate that awaits her and her husband, Julius, 32.

STOLE A-BOMB SECRETS

Both were sentenced to death by Judge Kaufman last April 5th after a jury had found them both guilty of stealing atom bomb secrets for their Soviet superior in a well-organized Kremlin espionage network of which Julius was the American commissar.

Five days later the squal, olive-skinned Ethel was hustled out of the Women's House of Detention to her death cell after City prison officials had demanded her removal.

Their fears were based on the revulsion felt by the other inmates against the Rosenberg woman—for even in the criminal world, treason can provoke the wrath of convicts ready to mete out their own system of justice for spies.

Since she has been in the woman's wing of Sing Sing, Ethel Rosenberg has had two dubious distinctions:

She is the most expensive prisoner in the Ossining institution's history:

She is the most unconcerned person to occupy the five-by-nine cells which stand so close to eternity.

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CELL COSTS \$38.60 A DAY.

Sing Sing is paying in her cell the grim role of host, for as a Federal prisoner, the United States Government is billed for her upkeep, food and guards.

That bill costs the American taxpayer \$38.60 per day.

To date, Ethel Rosenberg's has cost Uncle Sam more than \$4,000.

Her appeal and that of her husband will not be argued until October and estimating the usual delays, for an opinion and a Supreme Court ruling that bill will climb to more than \$10,000 by the end of the year.

Perhaps the thought she is costing the America she hated \$270.20 a week keeps Ethel Rosenberg in her happy frame of mind.

That and the psychological reaction of the hardened Communist spy that martyrdom is the end of the rainbow for the Red faithful.

ONLY WOMAN IN DEATH CELL.

She is the only occupant of the death house's woman's wing and a matron, neatly dressed in white uniform, sits at a desk directly in front of Ethel's small but well-lighted cell.

A radio plays—the espionage agent once studied guitar and is a music lover—and there are magazines to read at request.

If she wants a shower, she is escorted to the last cell, where facilities are provided for bathing.

Hand ball, weather permitting, is part of her regular schedule and her partner is the matron assigned to that particular shift. Ethel is reported to be an avid player and gives her older partner a tussle.

Bad weather sometimes keeps her out of the exercise yard adjoining the woman's wing, but during sunny afternoons Ethel is reported to spend as much as three hours playing hand ball in the 50 by 50 foot enclosure.

VISITS HUSBAND WEEKLY.

The spy is permitted to visit her slender, sardonic husband once a week and chat briefly with him across a table with two guards on hand.

That is the only time Ethel and Julius see each other. He is lodged with seven other doomed criminals in the men's wing.

They write each other daily after Denno granted them permission with the understanding that all such letters would be censored.

One of the few times that Ethel Rosenberg has displayed emotion was early this month when their children, Robert, 8, and Michael, 4, visited them at the prison.

(Judge Kaufman said at the sentencing: "You put the cause of espionage above that of your children.")

Ethel and Julius brought their candy and other presents

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ONCE A WEEK, doomed spy Julius Rosenberg (above) is permitted a chat across a prison table with his wife, Ethel, also awaiting execution.



FOIL for his sister and brother-in-law in the atom spy plot, David Greenglass (above) was induced to supply information from Los Alamos.

purchased at the prison canteen. The children sang songs, chatted about their grandmother, with whom they are staying, and asked few questions.

When Ethel returned to her cell that day, she is reported to have been in tears. But next morning she was bright and cheerful again and played her usual fast game on the handball court.

The four motherly-looking matrons who guard her must view Ethel Rosenberg with mixed emotions.

They kept a long death-watch over 1st Martha Beck, the "lonely herring" killer executed a few months ago.

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But Martha Beck did not
commit "a crime worse than
murder."

And she showed a human re-
action to the shadow of the
chair.

HARDENED COMMUNIST.

Ethel Rosenberg is a new type
for these matrons. They have
never guarded a hardened Com-
munist, never watched the hourly
reactions of a woman who plotted
and worked to destroy her coun-
try and millions of its citizens.

In his denunciation of her,
Judge Kaufman said:

"Instead of deterring him
(Julius) from pursuing his ig-
noble cause, she encouraged and
assisted the cause. She was a
mature woman—almost three
years older than her husband
and almost seven years older
than her younger brother."

It was chubby David Green-
glass, a U. S. Army sergeant at
Los Alamos that became the foil
for his sister Ethel and his broth-
er-in-law Julius. They persuaded
Greenglass to supply them with
atom bomb secrets and paid him
amounts ranging from \$500 to
\$5,000.

Greenglass said they had told
him the information "was going
to the Russians" and that the
money was obtained from the So-
viet spy heads.

For this crime, Ethel Rosen-
berg awaits the electric chair.

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The Lyons Den

By Leonard Lyons



The accountants have estimated the estate tax on the William Randolph Hearst properties: Between 65 and 70 million, with ten years in which to raise it . . . When the State Dept. men at the San Francisco Conference were asked about the absence of Gen. MacArthur they revealed that the invitation to him from John Foster Dulles had been suggested by the President, upon the urging of Gen. George C. Marshall . . . Henry Ford II learned that the new Republic of Israel was in desperate need of rock-crushers, for use in getting material for home-building. Ford then donated a complete rock-crushing plant.

Ludwig Bemelmans attended the fabulous costume Gala in Venice wearing the costume of a waiter. Bemelmans, who once was a waiter at the Ritz, had no invitation to the Gala and arranged to attend as a real waiter. He took notes for a magazine story about it . . . The sponsors of last night's "Toast of the Town" telecast, a dramatization of the career of Oscar Hammerstein II, paid Carol Bruce in full, although she didn't appear. Miss Bruce was standing by, in the event that trouble arose over the appearance of Lena Horne. Henry Dunn, of the Theater Authority, threatened to yank the show if Miss Horne were stopped from appearing . . . U. S. Atty. Saypol, designated for a court post, will resign before the campaign begins.

Jake LaMotta, the ex-middleweight champ, thinks Randy Turpin will beat Ray Robinson on Wednesday. "I saw Turpin reading comic books, while Robinson has a doctor with him," LaMotta reasoned. "It means Robinson's nervous about it and Turpin ain't" . . . Adam Di Gatano, of the dancing Di Gatano's, was stricken during a performance in Kansas City and now is in an oxygen tent at Menorah Hospital there . . . Of the 49 women invited by Gen. Marshall to join his committee to help recruitment, 46 responded favorably. Of the remaining three, two are ill and the third, Irene Dunne, is in Europe and couldn't be reached in time.

John Osborne, editor of Life's editorial page, is moving to Washington for the Luce publications. He will be replaced here by the man he succeeded, Jack Jessup . . . Sylvia Sidney will tour the country in Clifford Odets' hit of last season, "Country Girl," as soon as the producers find a leading man to meet her approval . . . Gen. Tony Biddle, now in Paris as a member of SHAPE staff, serves as Gen. Eisenhower's official Military Diplomat. Mary Lawrence, wife of Col. Jock Lawrence, heard Gen. Biddle ask: "What kind of uniform should I wear as Military Diplomat?" She suggested: "A green official blouse, and striped trousers."

King Farouk of Egypt was at the gambling casinos in Cannes last week, contrary to the reports that he had stopped his spree. At the high-stake chemin-de-fer table the King of Egypt was asked by one of the players what he thought would happen to the world in the next few years . . . "I believe that soon there will be only five Kings left in the whole world," replied Farouk. "The King of Hearts, the King of Spades, the King of Clubs, the King of Diamonds—and, maybe, the King of England."

Buddy Hackett, the comic, insists that when he sought the help of a psychoanalyst to cure him of his inferiority complex, the psychoanalyst told him: "You have no complex. You really ARE inferior" . . . Grace Hayes, owner of the Red Rooster nightclub in Las Vegas—the only club in town where there's no gambling—faces condemnation of her property, which is needed to effect a widening of the street. She's dissatisfied with the con-

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Spies Allowed Sing Sing Visit

Atomic spies Julius Rosenberg, 43, and his wife, Ethel, 35, are now allowed to see each other for one hour a week, it was revealed yesterday as she started her sixth month in the Sing Sing death house and he neared the end of his fourth.

A keeper escorts Rosenberg from the male section to the corridor outside his wife's cell in the women's section, and watches and listens—as does a matron—while husband and wife, separated by double screens, converse together. They can't touch each other.

The couple, convicted of wartime spying for Russia as part of the Klaus Fuchs-Harry Gold apparatus, are appealing their death sentences.

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